

Nebraska Libraries Future Search Conference Vision Statements

These vision statements were developed by participants at the Nebraska Libraries Future Search conference held June 9 and 10, 2008. The statements came from small group assignments covering topics that emerged from a trends discussion.

- A. The library is a vital hub, woven into the fabric of the greater community, responding to and empowering people through local and global connections.
- B. Service – Nebraska libraries lead a magnificent metamorphosis of superior customer service, humming with activities and learning, unencumbered by walls or political boundaries.
- C. Embrace the richness of a global community.
- D. My library provides an inviting and welcoming front porch where the community comes to learn, play and investigate. People come first in this nurturing and enriching gathering place for all.
- E. Increasing the visibility of Nebraska libraries through listening, communicating, and delivering services to enhance our communities.
- F. Core Values – The library champions universal access to information for purposes of personal and community empowerment through communication, collaboration and customization.
- G. Going green starts @ your library®: the library models environmentally sustainable practices, places and policies, and shares these with the community.
- H. The staff is key to the success of the library: cultivate our staff.
- I. Facilities and Buildings – A convenient, vibrant place to discover life's possibilities.
- J. Education – Our library is an innovative, vibrant place of discovery where collaborative learning spaces encourage sharing of ideas between all ages and languages while promoting lifelong learning, literacy, and literary leisure, thereby enabling users to succeed anytime, anyplace, on any path at any pace.
- K. Your library: the “easy button” to timely, relevant resources for all your information needs. (Substitute “quick easy fix button” for “easy button” in case of copyright problems.)
- L. Technology – We are a technological hub, committing ourselves to providing seamless connections and equitable access to high quality virtual resources.